GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

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FUNDS FOR CANALS AND DEVELOPMENTAL PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a)The amount allocated to various States including Maharashtra for development of projects and canals by the Union Government during the last three years;

(b)The details of works undertaken and amount sent thereon;

(c) The time by which these projects are likely to be completed; and

(d) The details of projects in tribal/rural areas of the country, location-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES, PUBLIC ENTERPRISES AND WATER RESOURCES (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV)

(a) to (d) Irrigation is a State subject and the planning, execution, funding, operation and maintenance of irrigation projects are primarily the responsibility of the State Governments based on their own priorities. The expenditure incurred by the State Governments on irrigation and flood schemes during the last three years is given at Annexure-I(A), Annexure-I(B) and Annexure-I(C). The Central Government is assisting the States under Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme (AIBP) .The Central Loan Assistance/ grant under AIBP released to the States during the last three years is given at Annexure-II. Completion of irrigation projects inter-alia depends upon the planning and budgetary allocation made by the State Governments. Major and medium irrigation projects benefiting the tribal areas in the country are given at Annexure-III and Annexure-IV respectively. The Central Government is assisting the State Governments by providing financial assistance under specific programmes.